

# **BROOKINGS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING**

**Tuesday, November 15, 2005**

The Brookings County Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 15, 2005, with the following members present: Dennis Falken, Mary Negstad, Donald Larson, Deanna Santema, and Emil Klavetter. Also present: Stephanie Vogel, Wm. Mark Kratochvil, Kelly Bakken, Martin Stanwick, Steve McCarthy, Peter Anderson, Matt Astleford, Mark Joffer, Brian Eclov, and John Kubal.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Falken called the meeting to order.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairperson Falken declared the Consent Agenda approved as amended with no objection from the board.

The Consent Agenda consisted of the agenda for the November 15, 2005 Commission Meeting, and the minutes from the November 8, 2005 Commission Meeting.

Welfare Matters: Case # 05-140 for hospital was denied; Case # 05-135 for hospital was denied; Case # 05-133 for hospital was denied; Case # 05-150 for hospital was denied; Case # 05-152 for hospital was denied; Case # 05-134 for hospital was denied; Case # 05-153 for hospital was denied; and Case # 05-127A for hospital was denied.

## **ROUTINE BUSINESS**

Deputy Auditor, Kelly Bakken presented the board with the Auditor's Report.

Be it noted, Register of Deeds statement of fees was filed in the County Auditor's Office collected for the month of October 2005 in the amount of \$22,957.00.

Be it noted, the Auditor's Account with the Treasurer for the month of October 2005 is as follows:

September 2005	\$13,120,169.10
Total amount of deposits in banks.....	
Total amount of actual cash: Currency.....	8,616.00
Coins.....	70.66
Total amount of checks/drafts in Treasurer's possession not exceeding 3 days.....	727,210.40
Itemized list of all items, checks, and drafts in Treasurer's possession over 3 days...	0
Insufficient checks.....	253.90
T O T A L .....	<u>\$13,856,320.06</u>

Motion by Klavetter, seconded by Negstad, to approve the following Automatic Supplement for unanticipated expenses incurred and reimbursement made to Brookings

County. Department: Sheriff; Amount: \$35,000.00; Reason: Award for K-9 Drug Dog Vehicle and Equipment; Receipt # 92834; Line #10100X4340211. Roll Call Vote: Larson "Aye," Negstad "Aye," Santema "Aye," Klavetter "Aye," Falken "Aye." Motion passes.

Motion by Santema, seconded by Negstad, to approve the following Automatic Supplement for unanticipated expenses incurred and reimbursement made to Brookings County. Department: Emergency Management; Amount: \$349.03; Reason: Program Funding for 2004 Citizen Corps Grant; Receipt # 93644; Line #22600X4295222. Roll Call Vote: Negstad "Aye," Santema "Aye," Klavetter "Aye," Larson "Aye," Falken "Aye." Motion passes.

### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

Steve McCarthy with 1921, LLC met with the board to discuss concerns with the 1921 Building.

Matt Astleford, Staff Assistant for Senator Tim Johnson met with the board to discuss concerns with the following: Farm Bill, Airport, DM&E Rail Road, Energy and Fuel Prices, and the NACo Program.

Motion by Klavetter, seconded by Negstad, to approve and authorize Chairperson Falken to sign Resolution # 05-50 a Resolution Declaring an Emergency on a Portion of the Brookings County Courthouse/Sheriff's Office Generator Project due to Public Safety Concerns. Motion by Larson, seconded by Santema to amend Resolution # 05-50 in the last paragraph, by striking 'Sheriff to solicit' and amending to 'solicitation of.' Roll Call Vote on Amendment: Santema "Aye," Klavetter "Aye," Larson "Aye," Negstad "Aye," Falken "Aye." Motion on amendment passes. Roll Call Vote on Original Motion as Amended: Klavetter "Aye," Larson "Aye," Negstad "Aye," Santema "Aye," Falken "Aye." Original Motion as amended passes.

### **RESOLUTION #05-50**

A resolution declaring an emergency on a portion of the Brookings County Courthouse/Sheriff's Office generator project due to public safety concerns.

**WHEREAS**, Brookings County Commission believes that a source of backup power for the courthouse and sheriff's office is imperative for the maintenance of public safety;

**WHEREAS**, the Brookings County Detention Center's generator failed earlier this year when the City of Brookings experienced a city-wide power loss;

**WHEREAS**, this power loss left inmates in the jail without electronic monitoring, electronic security, lights, or other necessary electrically powered items; and, the failure to have backup power for the courthouse resulted in a Sheriff's Deputy being trapped in the elevator with an inmate that was being escorted to court;

**WHEREAS**, the Brookings County Commission believes that both buildings must maintain backup power in order to maintain public safety, and has initiated the bidding process to purchase a back up generator for both buildings, while renting a generator that serves just the detention center as a temporary fix;

**WHEREAS**, the Brookings County Commission learned that the bidding process for the new generator will delay the project until April, 2006 (at the earliest) because the concrete padwork and electrical conduit work cannot be completed once the ground freezes;

**WHEREAS**, the Brookings County Commission believes that a six month (or more) delay in the project would create an immediate concern for public safety for both the Brookings County Courthouse and the Brookings County Sheriff's Office;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Brookings County Commission declares the concrete padwork and electrical conduit work for the generator project an emergency due to public safety concern; and authorizes the solicitation of quotes for that portion of the purchase to assist in expediting the generator project as much as possible.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> of November 2005.

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Dennis Falken, Chairperson  
Brookings County Commission

ATTEST:

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Janet Willmott, Auditor  
Brookings County

Commission Assistant/Human Resource Director, Stephanie Vogel met with the board to discuss Personnel Matters, the Human Service Agency, the SD Vietnam War

Memorial, the October 2005 General Fund Surplus Analysis, Correspondence, and Invitations.

Be it noted, the Board approved the following Personnel Action Notices: New Hire: Equalization Clerk, Rae Lynn Maher @ \$10.23.

### **COMMISSIONER'S OPEN DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Klavetter reported on the BEDC Site Committee Meeting.

Commissioner Negstad reported on the Wind Power Meeting.

Commissioner Larson discussed the Research Park and the NACo Prescription Drug Card Program.

Commissioner Falken discussed Drainage Concerns and the upcoming Legislative Coffee.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chairperson Falken declared the meeting adjourned until Tuesday, November 22, 2005.

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Kelly Bakken  
Deputy Auditor  
Brookings County Auditor's Office